

**Amendments to the Claims:**

Please amend the claims as shown below. This Listing of Claims will replace prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (currently amended): An image processing apparatus comprising:  
a reading scanner unit configured to ~~[[read]]~~ scan a document sheet fed from an automatic document feeder;

~~an image storage unit configured to store image data corresponding to the document sheet read by the reading unit;~~

a display unit configured to display an image corresponding to the ~~image data stored in the image storage~~ document sheet scanned by the scanner unit;

~~a reading control unit configured to perform a successive reading operation, wherein, in the successive reading operation, plural sets of document sheets are independently fed from the automatic document feeder and read by the reading unit until a read-end command is input, and image data corresponding to the read plural sets of document sheets is stored in the image storage unit as image data corresponding to a series of document sheets;~~

~~an image outputting unit configured to collectively output the image data corresponding to the plural sets of document sheets stored in the image storage unit; and~~

~~a control unit configured to enable the display unit to display an image corresponding to the read image data in each period after performing each reading operation of plural sets of document sheets and before inputting the read-end command~~

an output unit configured to output the image corresponding to the document sheet scanned by the scanner unit;

a control unit configured to cause the scanner unit to scan a first set of document sheets in accordance with receiving a first instruction, and cause the

scanner unit to scan a second set of document sheets in accordance with receiving a second instruction, and cause the output unit to output the image corresponding to the scanned first set of document sheets and the image corresponding to the scanned second set of document sheets in accordance with receiving a third instruction; and

a display control unit configured to enable the display unit to display, in response to completion of scanning each of plural sets of document sheets including the first set of document sheets and the second set of document sheets, the image corresponding to each of the plural sets of document sheets.

Claim 2 (currently amended): [[An]] The image processing apparatus according to claim 1,

wherein the display control unit enables the display unit to display, in response to completion of scanning the first set of document sheets, the image corresponding to the first set of document sheets, and

wherein the display control unit enables the display unit to display, in response to completion of scanning the second set of document sheets, the image corresponding to the first set of document sheets and the second set of document sheets ~~the image at a period between a first reading operation for one set of the plural sets of document sheets and a second reading operation for another set of the plural sets of document sheets, the second reading operation being performed after the first reading operation.~~

Claim 3 (currently amended): [[An]] The image processing apparatus according to claim 2, further comprising:

a command acceptance unit configured to accept the read-end command in the successive reading operation,

~~wherein, in the successive reading operation,~~ the control unit enables the display unit to display the image before receiving the third instruction ~~command~~ acceptance unit accepts the read-end command.

Claim 4 (currently amended): [[An]] The image processing apparatus according to claim 2, wherein, ~~in the successive reading operation,~~ the control unit enables the display unit to display the image corresponding to the first set of document sheets after completion of scanning the first set of document sheets and before beginning of scanning the second set of document sheets ~~the second reading operation is started.~~

Claim 5 (currently amended): [[An]] The image processing apparatus according to claim 2, wherein, ~~in the successive reading operation,~~ the control unit enables the display unit to display the image in accordance with receiving a display instruction from a user after completion of the first reading operation scanning the first set of document sheets and before beginning of scanning the second set of document sheets ~~the second reading operation is started.~~

Claim 6 (currently amended): [[An]] The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a ~~re-read~~ re-scan unit configured to ~~re-read~~ cause the scanner unit to re-scan a document ~~by the reading unit and replace image data corresponding to an~~ image currently displayed on the display unit with an image data obtained corresponding to the document sheet scanned by the ~~re-reading~~ re-scanning.

Claim 7 (currently amended): [[An]] The image processing apparatus according to claim [[2]] 5, wherein in response to completion of scanning the first reading operation set of document sheets, inputting of a command to display the image corresponding to the image data stored in the image storage unit on the display unit the display instruction is enabled.

Claim 8 (currently amended): [[An]] The image processing apparatus according to claim 3, wherein in response to completion of scanning the first reading operation set of document sheets, inputting of the read-end command in the successive reading operation third instruction is enabled.

Claim 9 (currently amended): ~~[[An]]~~ The image processing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein a ~~re-read command~~ re-scan instruction is allowed to be input to re-read re-scan a document by the reading scanner unit and replace ~~image data corresponding to~~ the image currently displayed on the display unit with an image data obtained corresponding to the document sheet scanned by the re-reading re-scanning.

Claim 10 (currently amended): ~~[[An]]~~ The image processing apparatus according to claim ~~[[2]]~~ 1, further comprising:

a suspending instruction receiving unit configured to ~~instruct suspension of the successive reading operation for the series of document sheets and resume the suspended reading operation~~ receive a suspending instruction,

wherein the control unit deletes, in accordance with receiving the suspending instruction after completion of scanning the first set of document sheets, the image corresponding to scanned first set of document sheets ~~period~~ is provided by the suspending instruction unit.

Claim 11 (currently amended): ~~[[An]]~~ A control method for controlling an image processing ~~method~~ apparatus, comprising:

~~performing a successive reading operation, wherein, in the successive reading operation, plural sets of document sheets are independently fed from an automatic document feeder and read until a read-end command is input, and image data corresponding to the read plural sets of document sheets is stored in an image storage unit as image data corresponding to a series of document sheets;~~

~~outputting, collectively, the image data corresponding to the plural sets of document sheets stored in the image storage unit; and~~

causing a scanner unit to scan a first set of document sheets in accordance with receiving a first instruction;

causing the scanner unit to scan a second set of document sheets in accordance with a second instruction;

causing an output unit to output image corresponding to the scanned first set of document sheets and image corresponding to the scanned second set of document sheets in accordance with receiving a third instruction; and

allowing enabling a display unit to display, in response to completion of scanning each of plural sets of document sheets including the first set of document sheets and the second document sheets, the image corresponding to the scanned set of document sheets ~~the stored image corresponding to the read image data in each period after performing each reading operation of plural sets of document sheets and before inputting the read-end command.~~

Claim 12 (currently amended): ~~An image processing~~ The control method according to claim 11,

wherein displaying of the image corresponding to the first set of document sheets by the display unit is ~~allowed at a period between a first reading operation for one set of the plural sets of document sheets and a second reading operation for another set of the plural sets of document sheets, the second reading operation being performed after the first reading operation~~ enabled in response to completion of scanning the first set of document sheets, and

displaying of the image corresponding to the first set of document sheets and the second set of document sheets by the display unit is enabled in response to completion of scanning the second set of document sheets.

Claim 13 (currently amended): ~~An image processing~~ The control method according to claim 12, further comprising:

~~accepting the read-end command in the successive reading operation;~~

~~wherein, in the successive reading operation, displaying of the image by the display unit is~~ enabled before receiving the third instruction ~~allowed the read-end command is accepted.~~

Claim 14 (currently amended): ~~An image processing~~ The control method according to claim 12, wherein, ~~in the successive reading operation,~~ displaying of the image by the display unit is enabled after completion of scanning the first set of document sheets and before beginning of scanning the second set of document sheets ~~allowed before the second reading operation is started.~~

Claim 15 (currently amended): ~~An image processing~~ The control method according to claim 12, wherein, ~~in the successive reading operation,~~ displaying of the image by the display unit is performed in accordance with receiving a display instruction from a user after completion of scanning the first set of document sheets and before beginning of scanning the second document sheets ~~allowed after completion of the first reading operation and before the second reading operation is started.~~

Claim 16 (currently amended): ~~An image processing~~ The control method according to claim 11, further comprising:  
causing the scanner unit to re-scan re-reading a document; and  
replacing ~~image data corresponding to~~ an image currently displayed on the display unit with an image data obtained corresponding to the document sheet scanned by the ~~re-reading re-scanning~~.

Claim 17 (currently amended): ~~An image processing~~ The control method according to claim ~~[[12]]~~ 15, wherein in response to completion of ~~the first reading operation,~~ inputting of a command to display the image corresponding to image data stored in the image storage unit on the display unit scanning the first set of document sheets, inputting of the display instruction is enabled.

Claim 18 (currently amended): ~~An image processing~~ The control method according to claim 13, wherein in response to ~~completion of the first reading operation,~~ inputting of the read-end command in the ~~successive reading~~

operation scanning of the first set document sheets, inputting of the display instruction is enabled.

Claim 19 (currently amended): ~~An image processing~~ The control method according to claim ~~[[15]]~~ 16, wherein a ~~re-read command~~ re-scan instruction is ~~allowed~~ enabled to be input to ~~re-read~~ re-scan a document by the scanner unit and replace ~~image data corresponding to image data corresponding to~~ the image currently displayed on the display unit with an image data obtained corresponding to the document sheet scanned by the ~~re-reading~~ re-scanning.

Claim 20 (currently amended): ~~An image processing~~ The control method according to claim ~~[[12]]~~ 11, further comprising:  
~~instructing suspension of the successive reading operation for the series of document sheets; and~~  
~~resuming the suspended reading operation,~~  
~~wherein the period is provided by the instruction~~  
receiving a suspending instruction; and  
deleting, in accordance with receiving the suspending instruction after completion of scanning the first set of document sheets, the image corresponding to scanned first set of document sheets.

Claim 21 (currently amended): A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for implementing ~~an image processing~~ the control method according to claim 11.

Claim 22 (currently amended): A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for implementing ~~an image processing~~ the control method according to claim 12.

Claim 23 (currently amended): A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for implementing ~~an image processing~~ the control method according to claim 13.

Claim 24 (currently amended): A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for implementing ~~an image processing~~ the control method according to claim 14.

Claim 25 (currently amended): A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for implementing ~~an image processing~~ the control method according to claim 15.

Claim 26 (currently amended): A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for implementing ~~an image processing~~ the control method according to claim 16.

Claim 27 (currently amended): A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for implementing ~~an image processing~~ the control method according to claim 17.

Claim 28 (currently amended): A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for implementing ~~an image processing~~ the control method according to claim 18.

Claim 29 (currently amended): A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for implementing ~~an image processing~~ the control method according to claim 19.

Claim 30 (currently amended): A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for implementing ~~an image processing~~ the control method according to claim 20.



Claim 31 (new): The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the first instruction, the second instruction and the third instruction are received via an operation panel of the image processing apparatus.

Claim 32 (new): The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

an automatic document feeder,

wherein the control unit causes the scanner unit to scan the first set of document sheets fed from the automatic document feeder in accordance with receiving the first instruction, and causes the scanner unit to scan the second set of document sheets fed from the automatic document feeder in accordance with receiving the second instruction.

Claim 33 (new): An image processing apparatus comprising:

a control unit configured to cause a scanner unit to scan a first document sheet in accordance with receiving a first instruction, and cause the scanner unit to scan a second document sheet in accordance with receiving a second instruction, and cause an output unit to output the image corresponding to the scanned first document sheet and the image corresponding to the scanned second document sheet in accordance with receiving a third instruction; and

a display control unit configured to enable a display unit to display, in response to completion of scanning each of plural document sheets including the first document sheet and the second document sheet, the image corresponding to each of the plural document sheets.